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FINE WEATHER THIS WEEK

Seeding in this district is not very far advanced at the present time, owing to condition of the ground being too wet, however, with good weather two weeks will make a great difference in the number of acres seeded. In this district, when we have moisture, the growth is rapid and there is practically no danger of frost so that it will not be too late,

Chinook Had Bad Dust Storm

While setting up 'Fine Weather' a bad dust storm came up suddenly with an extremely high wind.

ORDER CARS OFF ROAD

Toronto (C.P.)—Eight officers stopped motorists on Toronto streets as the city police department extended its campaign for safe driving by testing brakes, steering equipment horns and wind shield wipers. Sixty cars have been ordered

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NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHINOOK AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, IN LIQUIDATION,

Pursuant to the Agricultural Society Act, the Minister of Agriculture has authorized the Liquidator to call a meeting of the persons who were members of the Society immediately before its disorganization, for the purpose of passing a resolution regarding the disposition of any surplus.

This meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. B. G. Todd, of Chinook, at 8.30 p. m. on Saturday, May 21st, 1938.

P. G. JOHNSON, Liquidator
Chinook Agricultural Society
[in Liquidation]

Marketing Of Poultry

Considerable confusion has arisen among local food merchants regarding the new regulations for grading and marketing of eggs and licensing and bonding of dealers in poultry and poultry produce under the Live Stock Marketing Act, the Herald was told today, and efforts are being made to hold a meeting of both wholesalers and retailers of these products to discuss the difficulties.

According to A. C. MacKay, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, some merchants, already licensed under the Licensing of Trades and Businesses Act, were inquiring if a second license was now necessary, as other trades were exempted if paying a license under other acts.

It is planned to hold the meeting Thursday evening and, if possible, have R. H. Ennismore, of the Dominion egg grading branch, discuss the matter with the merchants.

Mass Bible meeting Called for June 20

Further arrangements for special thanksgiving and remembrance services in celebration of the fourth centenary of the open Bible in England were made at the regular meeting of the Bible Society.

June 19th will be observed as "Bible Sunday" throughout the city, and on June 20 a mass meeting will be held in the Victoria pavillion. Chief speakers will be Rt. Rev. L. Ralph Sherman, Anglican Bishop Calgary and the Rev. D. H. Teller.

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BANNER HARDWARE AND GROCERIES

CAUSE for OPTIMISM

THIS year the prairie provinces are experiencing an ideal and long deferred spring season. Light but persistent rainfall has been reported from all sections of the wheat belt in the past few weeks. The districts which were most drouth-ridden in recent years are now soaked with moisture. Southern Saskatchewan had many heavy showers during the past month and in some parts the land is still too wet for spring seeding.

The crop outlook was never brighter at this time of the year. A recent official report from Ottawa said that soil conditions in the west have never been as excellent as they are at the present time. The news will be welcomed from coast to coast because a bumper prairie crop means much to the general prosperity of the Dominion. It will mean more to the courageous farmers who, in spite of five or six dry seasons, stuck to their land and now have good reason to believe that their faith and endurance are to be well-rewarded.

There are still hazards to be faced—late drouth, hail and rust in some areas—but the worst danger seems to be well past. That the dry, parching weather when seeding is in progress. The west has always garnered its greatest crops after springs such as the present, and there is much reason to hope that this will prove to be that "next year" to which the prairie farmers have looked forward to for so long.

ROUND ABOUT THE TOWN

The people of the town all behaved so badly this week that we didn't have room in the column for all the gossip, so, rather than favor some we have decided to omit it all this week.

How Does Life Insurance Benefit *Living* Policyholders?

Answer.—It enables policyholders to build a substantial cash reserve for future needs—and at the same time ensure protection for their families.

Question.—How does Life Insurance ensure funds for retirement?

Answer.—When the need of protection is passed, the proceeds of a policy may be used to provide a guaranteed monthly income.

Q.—What percentage of Life Insurance payments are made to living policyholders?

A.—Approximately 75 per cent.

Q.—How is the balance of these payments made?
A.—In death benefits to the beneficiaries of policyholders.

Q.—How much money does Life Insurance distribute each year to *living* policyholders in Canada?

A.—More than \$100,000,000 a year.

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A Dwindling Asset

One can imagine the consternation that would be created in Western Canada if it were predicted that the time is coming within the ken of the present generation when the prairies and the foothills of the Rocky Mountains will be denuded of much if not all of its feathered and furred life; when a game bird would be literally a rara avis and when the appearance of a fur-bearing animal would be so uncommon as to occasion a newspaper paragraph.

To many people such a prospect is unthinkable and to all lovers of nature and the great outdoors such a possibility is almost too painful to mention, yet there are evidences that a disaster of this magnitude may not be altogether imaginative.

Such evidence was forthcoming at a recent meeting in Regina, Saskatchewan, under the auspices of the Fish and Game League, when a hundred participants in a contest which called for suggestions for better measures for the conservation of wild life were unanimous on one thing, and that was that there is a noticeable decline this year in the number of migratory birds visiting the province and that this decline has been going on for a number of years.

The evidence was not only applicable to the game birds in which the sportsmen were primarily interested, but extended to the feathered songsters which annually gladden the hearts of residents of city and country. It was stated that they, too, are dwindling in numbers and that their disappearance is only a question of time unless the sportsmen and nature lovers arouse themselves to take the necessary steps to prevent a great disaster.

A Practical Idea

While opinion as to the dwindling numbers of the denizens of woods and open prairies was unanimous, methods which might effectively be applied to stem the process of ultimate elimination were many and varied. Among them were proposals that bag limits be reduced, open seasons be shortened, a closed season of one or two years for all wild life, except of the predatory varieties, be imposed, that game laws be more strictly enforced, and others.

But one of the most intriguing and perhaps practical proposals came in the form of a suggestion that provision be made for the establishment of a wild life sanctuary of one section of land in every township, coupled with the advocacy of the use of this square mile of land, enclosed by a single line barbed wire fence, for practical studies in wild life and manifestations of nature by the students of the schools within the township.

Such a suggestion is worthy of some serious consideration, for it gets close to the roots of the problem—the value of education as a means of conserving wild life, the incultation of love of bird and beast and fish, together with the development of true sportsmanship and the protective spirit which is inherent in all who observe Nature with understanding and learn to admire her ways.

What child, for example, who has watched the skill with which the parent birds skillfully construct their nests and the loving care they expend in hatching and rearing their young would wish to wantonly destroy the fruits of their pleasure and knowledge? What child to whom the mysteries of Nature have been revealed first hand in this manner would want, when he becomes a man, to take life unnecessarily or to butcher, in wholesale manner?

A Certain Sequence

Yes, education will do much to preserve, not only for the present generation but for those yet unborn, the magnificent heritage which has been bequeathed to us by Nature. To know and to understand is to admire and to admire is to protect. It is a sequence which is as unalterable as the laws of the Medes and Persians.

Coincident with the establishment of small but innumerable sanctuaries, restrictive measures might also be applied in connection with campaigns for the slaughter of predatory birds and mammals, such as the crow, the magpie and the gopher.

It is essential, of course, that those species which prey on desirable varieties or which take heavy toll of crops be destroyed, but children should not be encouraged to take part in such campaigns without proper supervision, lest it lead to indiscriminate destruction of good and bad alike.

An illustration of the evil effects of such unrestricted, unsupervised participation in campaigns of this kind on the part of juveniles was recently reported in a large prairie town where a band of youths went out to take crows' nests and nestlings in the belief that they were doing a good work. In the bag that they brought back to town were not only the remains of crows and crows' eggs, but it was quite apparent that they had destroyed nests, eggs and young of practically every variety of bird inhabiting the district.

Campaigns of this kind when conducted indiscriminately by young people without proper supervision and by youth who are unable to distinguish between species not only may result in irreparable damage to desirable wild life but tend to develop a lust to kill for the sake of killing, thus perpetuating the antithesis of good sportsmanship.

Famous Barber Dead

Francis Haby, 76, former Kaiser Wilhelm's private barber for 26 years and companion to his imperial master on all his travels, is dead. It was Haby who invented the bayonet-pointed moustache favored by the Kaiser for years before the Great War and adopted by thousands of loyal admirers.

It was once common belief that the moon affected the minds of human beings.



FEET HURT?

CORN SALVE
BUNION SALVE
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Wheat For Poultry

More wheat is being fed to livestock and poultry in Canada. The preliminary estimate of the wheat fed or to be fed during the 1937-38 crop season amounts to 18,028,000 bushels, as compared with 15,795,000 bushels in the 1936-37 season. Heavier feeding of wheat in 1938 has occurred in Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta, and British Columbia, with the availability of more wheat from the 1937 crop in these provinces than was the case in 1936.

Seven times the volume of an iceberg above the water is below the water.

An old-fashioned man is one who thinks what he works for and saves it his.

Before The Great War

World Was Not Then Enjoying Peace And Stability

Before the outbreak of the World War we must go back a hundred years to the last preceding world war ending at Waterloo. But it is not true, of course, that the world before 1914 was all peace and stability. It is twenty years since the armistice, and we have to reckon with Spain and with Japan in China. Go back twenty years behind 1914 and we have to take note of such sizeable events as the Balkan Wars, a South African war and a Russo-Japanese war. Our own skirmish with Spain in 1898 is minor.

Go back another twenty years from 1894 and we encounter a big Russo-Turkish war, or, by stretching the yardstick a few years, can take in the war between Germany and France in 1870. Go back less than twenty years from 1870 and we must reckon with the greatest of all wars between Waterloo and the Marne—our own Civil War tragedy. For sacrifice the war between the States will compare, proportionately, with the World War.

About the same time as our own Civil War there raged in China the so-called Tai-ping rebellion. How many people in Europe and America were excited over the Tai-ping war? Some authorities say it cost 20,000,000 lives. But in those days people did not agonize over Chinese slaughterers, as we do to-day by telegraph, cable, wireless, camera and news reel.—New York Times.

LAY AWAKE IN AGONY WITH NEURITIS

Kruschen Salts Brought Lasting Relief

Ordinary headaches are bad enough, but they are as nothing compared to the awful pains of neuritis in the head, says this woman. Read how Kruschen completely banished the Pains—

"I had neuritis in the head and right arm. I suffered untold agony with my head, and I dare not think what might have happened had it continued. Everybody knows what a headache is like, but it is as nothing compared with the awful pain of neuritis in the head. I spent sleepless nights tossing with pain. I began taking Kruschen Salts, and after some months of the treatment I have effected lasting relief."—(Mrs.) L.M. Neuritis is like rheumatism and sciatica. Frequently has its roots in intestinal stasis (delay)—the unsuppressed accumulation in the system of harmful waste matter, which leads to the formation of excess uric acid.

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Exploring The North

English Geologist Spends The Winter At Southampton Island

Thomas H. Manning, English geologist, has arrived at Chesterfield Inlet, 325 miles north of Churchill, Man., from Southampton Island where he spent the winter in exploration work, making the trip over the ice for scientific supplies.

He will return to the island, 125 miles east of Chesterfield, immediately, and later proceed to Baffin Bay, where he expects to spend two years in exploration work. He will receive further supplies from the R.M.S. Nascoptic at Cape Dorset this summer.

Manning was leader of four young English scientists who went into the Canadian Arctic in the summer of 1936.

Letter From Queen Mary

Showed Personal Interest In Coronation Diary Of Toronto Girl

A book, "Coronation Cavalcade," was presented to Miss Jean Black by Dr. Henry F. Munro, superintendent of education for Nova Scotia, in the Royal York hotel, Toronto. With this book came a personal letter from Queen Mary.

Miss Black, fifth form student of Vaughan Road collegiate, has a 250 page leather bound diary on her trip to the coronation which was read from cover to cover by the Queen Mother.

Students from all over Ontario attended the presentation. Richard Graybiel, son of the general manager of the Windsor Daily Star, received the first prize for his boys' coronation diary.

Desert Buses Comfortable

New sleeper busses which span the Syrian Desert from Damascus to Baghdad are not only speedy, but also air conditioned and sandproof. They cover the 600 miles in 15 hours. Three inches of insulation in the walls protects against changes in temperature, which range from zero to 145 degrees here. The stainless walls are also sealed against the whirling sand.

Canada's Wild Flowers

Efforts Are Being Made To Prevent Wanton Destruction Of Plants

From early spring until late autumn, the woods, glens and open spaces of Canada are made beautiful by a succession of wild flowers, more varied and as full of charm as the best gardens can provide. In all this glorious profusion, however, lurks a danger. Unfortunately many of the citizens, particularly of the larger centres of population, never give a thought to the fact that there may all too soon come an end to this great abundance of wild plant life through heedless destruction.

The preservation of wild flowers does not mean that no one is allowed to pick a bloom, but it does entail due regard to the future of the plant. It demands a little thought. How is a plant to survive if there are not sufficient flowers left on it to form seed, and how can a plant possibly live if it is torn up by the roots, as is too often the case. Tearing a plant up by the roots to gain a bloom is wanton destruction and means only one thing—the passing of beautiful wild flowers from the Canadian landscape. Some species of wild flowers, such as violets, hepaticas, and others with flower stems rising directly from the roots, may be picked at will, so long as the plant body is not disturbed, but other wild flowers like the trillium, Ontario's floral emblem, should never be gathered freely, and as a matter of fact are best left alone in their natural setting, as the flowers cannot be picked without removing all the foliage on which depends the maturing of the bulbous root for the following season's crop of flowers.

Conspicuous efforts have been made by the various horticultural societies throughout Canada to arouse public sentiment towards the proper protection of the native flora, and, though much has been done, still more organized work is necessary on the part of all institutions in the Dominion to bring home the fact that unrestrained and destructive gathering of wild flowers will eventually cause the disappearance of the finest specimens of Canadian wild plants. It is a matter of fact that the collector for people does not wantonly destroy beautiful things, far less flowers.

In the United States, no fewer than 23 of the States have passed laws designed to protect wild plants. Those laws do not prevent the picking of wild flowers, but they do penalize the destroyer of roots and plants.

French Defence Measures

Increase In Man Power For All Nation's Armed Forces

Increases in man power for all France's armed forces were ordered by President Edouard Daladier, head of the national defence government now ruling the nation by decree.

Armed forces in the colonies also will be strengthened by creating of two new battalions of Senegalese sharpshooters, among the best of colonial troops, and other measures. In addition to raising the navy's man power, the decree authorizes the navy ministry to begin construction before Dec. 31, 1939, of two battle-ships, one cruiser and seven submarines. It further authorizes a number of smaller auxiliary naval craft, with a total tonnage of 24,000, and five oil tankers.

One part of Daladier's report to president Lebrun said motorization of the remaining foot units of the army would be speeded up, while another called for an increase in the number of horses and mules for the forces in North Africa to permit speedier mobilization.

The number of workers in munitions and other factories attached to the defence ministries also will be increased.

More Expensive Wrapper

Aluminum Foil Expected To Promote Sales Of Butter

And now they're going to wrap butter in aluminum foil wrappers. The new wrappers henceforth will command a premium of 1 cent per pound, or seven cents per box, from the Montreal Provision Trades Association, a board of trade branch, it was decided.

Following months of study and consultation with leading dairy authorities, the association concluded Canadian butter would gain greatly in appreciation and intrinsic value if the aluminum wrapper were used. The new wrapper costs twice the cost of the present covering, but it is hoped the premium will induce producers to use the wrapping.

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Among the exhibits were the Otto-Langdon internal combustion engine of 1870, a one-cylinder, four-cycle affair, fired not by a spark-plug, but by a flame from a pilot light. Despite its crudity, the apparatus is said to have been the forerunner of the modern automobile.

Canada Well Equipped

Could Build Planes For Britain's Royal Air Force

Canada is well equipped to produce efficient fighting planes, British Canadian Airways "Goldfields Express" Norseman. Within less than 10 hours, the machine was flown with skis, wheels and floats on the last trip out from Goldfields.

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WHAT HO!

—By—

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CHAPTER X.—Continued

"Maybe you think I couldn't get it?" said Mr. Wyncoop. "Why, between us we could raise ten million, twenty million, thirty million—"

"Who?"

"Sure. Me, you and Ernest."

"I shall give the matter most serious thought," promised Sir Peter. "Perhaps you'd care to drop in on me in Lombard street when you're in London—"

"I'll be there with bells on," said Mr. Wyncoop. "Let's sing—"

"In a fog-horn voice he croaked—"

"I'm from Iowa, Iowa, Out where the tall corn grows"

rising when he came to the words "tall corn" and raising his hand above his head to show the phenomenal height attained by the crops of his native state.

"Jolly good, that," applauded Sir Peter. "I say, let's get a couple of tenors and form a quartet."

With a champagne bottle under one arm, and Mrs. Clara-Martha Phelps under the other, the Earl of Bingley was making his way toward his study.

"I want you see my snuggery," said the earl. "I've some sporting prints that may interest you."

"Snuggery?" giggled Mrs. Phelps. "Snuggery? What a snuggery word!"

"I brought this snuggery of tizz along in case we get thirsty," said the earl.

"Does one get thirsty in a snuggery?" inquired Mrs. Phelps.

"One does."

Seated, glasses in hand, on a sofa in the study they regarded each other with the eyes of doves.

"I say, do you believe in love at first sight?" asked the earl.

"I?" said the startled Mrs. Phelps. "I don't mean Cleopatra," said the earl.

"Really, your lordship, I haven't given the matter much thought of late."

"It's not a question of head," said the earl. "It's your heart."

He thumped his stiff shirt in the region of his heart.

"Like champagne?" she asked.

"Just like champagne."

"It must be nice."

"Give it a try," urged the earl. He filled their glasses.

"To my dream girl," he said.

"I believe you're flirting with me," said Clara-Martha Phelps.

"Some girls are as bright as they are beautiful," he said, and accompanied his words with a killing glance.

"I can hardly be described as a girl."

"Horseradish!" said the earl. "More habs in arms."

"I'm forty-four."

"Just the right age. In sixty-by-the-calendar—but twenty-one here—"

Again he thumped his bosom.

"I'm thirty," said Mrs. Phelps.

"Thirty? Oh, I see—Here you are."

Again he filled her wine glass.

"Happy?" he asked.

"I haven't been so happy since I was chosen for the daisy chain at Vassar," said Clara-Martha Phelps, dreamily.

The earl raised his glass.

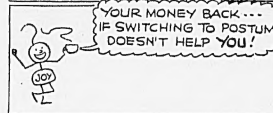
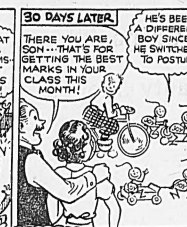
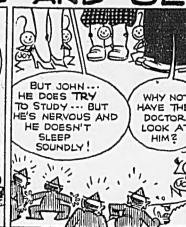
"Here's to knowing you better, toots," he said.

She clinked her glass against his.

"And vice versa, big boy," she said.

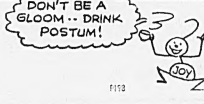
Partee end. Morning was stealing into the shoes of night when the earl sped the last guest to bed, and gained his own with only a little assistance from Crump. Soon snores of aristocratic and plebeian origin sounded softly through castle halls.

In his lower room Ernest Bingley was sleeping the sleep of the reasonably just and very tired when something woke him. His eyes flew open and he found himself staring into the muzzle of a pistol pointed straight at his head.



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CHAPTER XI.

"Stick 'em up, rat!"

The voice began in an underworld basso and ended in a high pitched squeak.

It came from Master Mervin Wyncoop whose voice was changing but whose habits weren't.

"For heaven's sake, Mervin, put down that gun," exclaimed Ernest. "It might be loaded."

"Wah it was," said Mervin. "But it ain't. This ole thing can't shoot, anyhow. I hauled it."

Ernest recognized the weapon as one of a pair of silver-mounted 18th century duelling pistols and guessed that Mervin had purloined it from its case in the library.

"Loaded or not, please don't point it at me," Ernest said. "Didn't they teach you at military school never to be careless with fire-arms?"

"They didn't teach me nothin'," said Mervin. "And stop squawkin'. I'm only practicin'."

"To be a soldier?"

"Aw, there's no jack in that," said Mervin, and spat on the rug. "I'm goin' to be a big shot and run a racket."

It seemed to Ernest that it would be a good idea to stay on the right side of the scion of the house of Wyncoop. His apple-cart had passed, untipped, through a stormy night, but a few words from this fledgling gangster could pump the pippins into the gutter.

"How do you like staying in a real castle, Mervin?" asked Ernest, wondering how a boy could get so dirty so early in the day.

Mervin expectedation through his teeth before he delivered himself of his views on castles.

"Aw, this crummy ole shack? We got better bath-rooms in the poor-house back home. Pop and Mom say they're goin' to stick around as long as you'll let 'em, but I sure hope not. It's dead around here and it's got ghosts."

"Surely you don't believe in ghosts, Mervin."

"Naw. But if I seen one, I'd kick the gizzard out of him."

"Ole Crump. He claims the ghost of a boy once. He was just my age, too."

"I doubt if he'll eat you, Mervin. He better not," said Ernest.

"Do you know what time it is?"

"Certainly. Now."

Mervin consulted a new platinum wrist-watch.

"Six past eleven," he said, "and Pop's got a terrible hangover. So has Mrs. Phelps—"

"Not Mrs. Phelps!"

"Well, she's got ice on her head. I seen it through a crack in her door."

He began to drum on the wall with the butt of the pistol.

"Careful," said Ernest. "You'll break it even more."

Mervin gave the wall a few more raps to show he could not be cowed, spat, and said,

"Aw, it's no good. What I want is a machine-gun."

"I saw some nice toy ones in a New York store," said Ernest. "They shoot coo's."

"Corks?" Mervin was full of contempt. "I want a real gun that shoots bullets. Dum-dums. I need it."

"Need it?"

"Yeah. To pull a job."

"What job?"

"I got my eye on some swell ice."

"Ice?"

"Aw, diamonds and pearls and junk like that," said Mervin, showing his disgust at Ernest's ignorance of the technical lingo of crookdom.

"Where, Mervin?"

"In a jewelry store."

"Aw, I ain't interested in no petty larceny jobs," said Mervin. "The ice I mean is in that ole dump that looks like this one."

"The Tower of London?"

"You get me, bo. They got a glass case full of sparklers any place would give two-three hundred grand for it. It would be a cinch to heist the clowns that guard the stuff, kick in the glass, glow into the plunder, and make a get-away in a high-powered car."

"A low-powered car wouldn't do, I suppose," said Ernest.

"Nops."

"I understand the crown jewels are protected by all sorts of electric alarms."

"I know all about them bugs," said Mervin. "I cased the joint. It's a soft touch."

"What about the Beef-Eaters?"

"Them bozos in the capes? Say, if they got tough we'd knock 'em off with our typewriter—"

"Typewriter?"

"Say, ain't you ever been to the movies? We always call a machine-gun a 'typewriter' so the G-men won't know what we're talking about."

"I see. You'd just mow down the poor ole Beef-Eaters. They're quite a few of them, you know."

"So what? We'd have our ride, wouldn't we? Forty-five automatics."

"We?"

"Me and my mob."

"Have you got a mob, Mervin?"

"Yeah. But I need two more right guys," replied Mervin. "So far I only got me and you."

"Not me," said Ernest hastily.

Master Mervin made his soft face as hard as he could, and fixed Ernest with narrowed, beady eyes.

"Oh, yeah?" he snarled. "Oh, yeah?"

"No Hollywoodian heavy could have done it better."

"Oh, yeah!" said Ernest.

"Listen, wise guy," said Mervin. "You play ball with me or I'll sing."

"Go ahead. Start with 'Home Sweet Home'."

"Aw, when we sing, we mean 'ta-ah,' said Mervin.

"Spill the beans."

"What beans?"

"Yours."

"I have no beans," stated Ernest.

"Oh, no? I got plenty on you," Mervin grated-piped in his chameleon voice. "Don't think I'm dumb just because I got flunked outta four schools. I hear plenty."

"Where?"

"Key-holes," replied Mervin, unabashedly. "See this watch?"

"I do, and a very grand one it is."

"Cost seventy-five fish," said Mervin. "Mom give it to me. And Pop's promised to give me a high-powered roadster soon as we get back home. Try and figure out why, you two-limbed heel."

"Blackmail and bribery. I suppose," said Ernest unhappily.

"I'll sure be," agreed Mervin, proudly. "I got the dope on this frame-up. So kick-in—or else—"

"Or else what?" asked Ernest, wondering if he pushed Mervin into the meat it would be accounted more than a venial sin.

(To Be Continued)

Probably the greatest distance chiselled on any milestone is that on one in an old fort near Hamilton, Bermuda. It reads: "London, 3,076 miles." A homesick engineer is believed responsible.

Influence Of Environment

Said To Determine The Growth Of A Child's Development

There is no correlation between the intelligence of children and their parents; and the influence of environment determines the growth or decline of children's intellectual development, according to the report of a 15-year study of children by Dr. Harold Skeels and Dr. Beth Wellman of the Iowa University Child Welfare Station.

Dr. Skeels, psychologist for the Iowa State Board of Control, has discovered that underprivileged children, taken from inadequate environment and placed in foster homes, respond to love, interest and comfort by remarkable intellectual gains.

He finds no correlation between the intelligence of true parents and their children, but notes the longer small boys and girls remain in poor surroundings, the duller they become. He points out that if these children are removed early enough to foster-homes they have a good chance to reach normal or superior mental achievement.

Dr. Wellman has recorded that higher intelligence levels are the rule rather than exception following the stimulating atmosphere of nursery schools. Significantly, during summer vacations at home, without the incentive of school and influence of companionship, children show little or no development.

Miss Wellman studied the later progress of many boys and girls who received careful and sympathetic early training and discovered those transferred to progressive institutions of this type continued to gain in intelligence, while those who entered less progressive schools lost considerable ground.

"Children thrive best," Dr. Wellman concludes, "in schools where they are taught to think for themselves instead of obeying blindly. They do best in groups with children with capabilities as great or better than their own."

Still Our Best Customer

Figures Show United Kingdom Buys Most Canadian Wheat

With prospect for the best Canadian wheat crop in many years, eyes of the growers turn again to the problem of world markets. So quickly does the picture shift that nations once regarded as formidable competitors in export may be forced by a bad season to look for imports.

And some of the competitors which the Dominion feared most not long ago, notably Russia, have been forced by internal conditions to slacken pressure in selling abroad.

In this connection the figures issued by the Canadian Board of Grain Commissioners covering exports for the crop year 1936-37 are revealing. It is shown that the United Kingdom is still our best wheat customer, a fact which is frequently overlooked.

The "self-sufficiency" drive which has led France and Germany to grow—even at great cost—the wheat they need, has cut down these once substantial customers of the Dominion's grain to relatively small buyers.

Canada shipped her wheat direct to 30 countries in all, a commentary on the extent and variety of our foreign commerce.

Sixty tin cans a day was a good production figure for a skilled workman when cans were manufactured entirely by hand. To-day machines turn out the cans at a rate of 300 per minute.

An extemporaneous speech is one where the speaker doesn't know what he's going to say before he starts and his audience doesn't know what he said after he finishes.

G-Man—"Got away, has he? Did you guard all the exits?"

County Constable—"Yes, but we think he must have left by one of the entrances."

Inherits Fortune

Farmer Receives \$300,000 From Uncle He Befriended 40 Years Ago

Fortune's horn of plenty is pouring \$300,000 into the lap of George Robinson, farmer of the Conklin district, 175 miles northeast of Edmonton, because he was kind to a Klondike prospector 40 years ago.

"When I was a lad of 22, I grubstaked an uncle for the gold rush of '98," he said. "Forty years passed and there was no word from my uncle, Jobe. Then, just a few months ago, I got a message from a Seattle solicitor. Now I am owner of a \$250,000 fox farm in Alaska and a \$50,000 ranch in Montana."

"They were bequeathed to me by the uncle I had almost forgotten, but who never forgot an act of kindness."

A widower, father of five children, the 62-year-old farmer was in Edmonton, planning to sell his farm 190 miles north of the city to take him to Alaska, where he will take charge of his newly-acquired fox farm.

"I took my \$3,000 out of the bank at 10 o'clock one morning. At 11 a.m. Jobe was aboard the train and heading for the Klondike," he said. "I never saw or heard of him again until word came from Seattle last January."

Different Kinds Of Greetings

Those Employed By Other Countries Send Very Strange

When we meet a friend we say "How do you do?" or "How are you?" In other countries there are different kinds of greetings, some of which sound very strange.

In some parts of India the greeting is "Praise God, is your nose fat?" to which the reply is "Thank God, my nose is fat."

After this the questioner says, "Then, may you live a thousand years."

In Persia when a person meets a friend he says, "May your shadow never grow less." In Egypt people say, "How do you perspire?"

The Chinese and Japanese remark is, "How is your stomach? Have you eaten your rice?"

Russian people inquire "How do you live?" In Poland the question is "How do you keep yourself?" French folk politely ask, "How do you carry yourself?" While in Holland a correct greeting would be, "How do you fare?" When the Italians meet they say, "How do you stand?"

A Philadelphia Record columnist asserts that there were enough Smiths in the American forces during the Great War to make 15 regiments of 3,600 men each. In simple arithmetic, 54,180.

Only about 50,000,000 of India's 333,000,000 population are able to read any one of the dozen principal languages spoken there.

Political Patronage

Speaker Says It Is Unknown In The British Civil Service

Political patronage is unknown in the British civil service and any candidate for appointment who seeks to enlist political support is automatically disqualified, Sir Francis Flood, British high commissioner to Canada, told the house committee on civil service affairs.

In the British scheme there is no appointing of former members of parliament to government jobs and ministers' private secretaries are not absorbed in government service after their tenure of office as private secretary.

Open competitive examination held under the direction of the civil service commission was the keystone of the public service.

This commission was appointed under letters patent by the prime minister and in its personnel comprised of civil servants. It set the examinations, issued certificates of appointment and controlled the internal affairs of the service.

Every four years enough newspaper is made for a strip as wide as a newspaper and long enough to reach to the sun and back.



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Church Service will be held every Sunday at 2:15 p. m.
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Rev. Mr. Whaley
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TO PROVIDE BOWEN WITH OFFICE, CAR

Edmonton (C P) — Office space and secretarial staff will be provided at the legislative buildings for Lieut. Governor J. C. Bowen's official duties. It is expected His Honor will vacate Government House on Tuesday.

It was also learned an automobile would be available to the lieutenant governor for official duties.

The Dear Departed

Drumheller (C P) — Gerry Fish knew today how popular he is in Drumheller.

The bakery manager took ill on Tuesday and was in bed. In the meantime, a rumor that he had died circulated.

The minister called at his home to offer his services. Flowers received many orders for wreaths, and friends kept the telephone ringing to offer condolences.

Mr. Fish said he would be too busy catching up with his work to attend funeral services.

Correct Error

In last week's issue of the Advance we announced the death of Mrs. Carl Hitler, of Youngstown, which we are glad to say was an error.

A Mrs. Anthony Hitler who was very ill and not expected to recover, a rumor circulated that Mrs. Carl Hitler died.

To Restore Water and Ducks in Western Canada

T. C. Main, General Manager of Ducks Unlimited (Canada) announces the appointment of E. S. Russenbolt as Assistant General Manager. Mr. Russenbolt is well known, in publicity, natural resources and conservation fields in Western Canada. His appointment is another step in completing the executive and technical organization of Ducks Unlimited (Canada).

The program of Ducks Unlimited (Canada) for this season is in full swing. Plans call for the expenditure of \$100,000 in 1928; and \$3,000,000 over the next five years.

This money is being raised and expended through the organized cooperation of sportsmen and conservators in Canada and United States, to restore and multiply the numbers of wild ducks in North America's great duck producing areas; in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

The program includes restoration and maintenance of water areas; destruction of crows and other predators; research and observation of diseases; prevention of forest and prairie fires; protection of nesting areas, etc.

Provincial and municipal authorities and community leaders throughout Western Canada are cooperating wholeheartedly because the work done to multiply the duck crop will vitally benefit farms, forests, furs — and the entire economic life of the West.

That Ducks Unlimited (Canada) fills a long-waited-for as a centre of action for organizations and countless individuals interested in conservation throughout Western Canada — is proved by the flood of letters pouring into head office, at 505 Commercial Building, Winnipeg, urging action on various projects and submitting suggestions therefor.

Preliminary work is being rushed on projects selected for immediate development. It is hoped that at Big Grass Marsh, near Gladstone, Manitoba, and Wapahen Lake, South of Kistiwin, Saskatchewan, construction will be well forward by the end of May, so that spring runoff may be utilized in restoring the ideal breeding conditions and tremendous duck production for which these centres were noted years ago.

Preliminary work is proceeding at Yellowgrass Marsh, near Weyburn, Saskatchewan, and in various other areas where the former vast production of ducks has been sadly depleted in recent years. Major projects will be undertaken by Ducks Unlimited (Canada) in each of the three Western provinces this season, in addition to numbers of lesser developments.

Local News

Mrs. S. H. Smith of Hanna, was a Chinook visitor on Wednesday, the guest of Mrs. W. Gallagher.

Mr. N. D. Stewart was a Calgary visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Nystrom left for Calgary on Saturday returning this week.

Mr. Earl Robinson motored to Bonar on Saturday and reports having had a very enjoyable (?) drive.

Mrs. P. Petersen is a Calgary visitor this week.

Miss Ina Renne of Calgary, visited at the home of Mrs. W. Gallagher on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Blagen and children motored to Calgary Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson visited over the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morrell.

Women, IC2, Eustles

Lindsay, Ont. (U P) — Mrs. Elizabeth McConnell celebrated her 102nd birthday here by starting her annual spring cleaning of her sparsely kept home. She cooks the meals in her home, does all the usual housekeeping tasks and is an expert knitter and crocheter worker.

Farmers Told Not To Worry At Crop Delay

Farmers worrying over delayed seeding still have an excellent opportunity of harvesting a bumper crop this fall.

Records of other years serve to offer a word of cheer, as the later planted grain produced the better yields. So do the results of thousands of germination tests conducted and bundles of data collected annually by the Dominion Seed Branch.

Records at the branch indicate that the Alberta wheat crop germinates favorably when temperatures range from 50 to 65 degrees.

Seed Might Deteriorate

Over the course of years, little advantage has been found in early seeding, unless to utilize moisture at hand before winds dry out the top inch or two of the ground.

Further, with the seed bed as wet and cold as at present seed left in the ground for several days does not improve. If anything, it is inclined to deteriorate.

The major requirement at present, Frank Foulds, district superintendent of the Seed Branch explained, is a spell of moderately warm weather.

He was not perturbed over delay to date, but explained that another two weeks would put a different complexion on the situation. When seeding is that late, it is often followed by a spell of very hot weather during late May and June.

FIGURES IN A BOOK?

What gives rise to a loan?

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"Credit can only be issued against real assets... The amount of credit must always be limited to the amount of free money..."

That was written by one of the greatest of Socialists — by the late Viscount Snowden of Ickneshaw, Philip Snowden, in 1935 — little more than two years ago.

Few stood so long or so resolutely in the forefront of public controversy, or aroused such fierce opposition by vigour of opinion or severity of tongue — and none passed to his rest having earned greater public respect than Viscount Snowden.

His career was a triumph of sturdy British character. He took an unpopular course during the Great War, but later became one of his country's great figures, standing firmly for his convictions and for soundness in the financial structure of Great Britain.

His words quoted above apply to Canadian banking today with all the force with which he applied them that day to banking in England. The Canadian banking system is a British system, adjusted from time to time to fit the needs of a developing nation in the changing scene of this new world.

Credit can only be issued against real assets. That is as true today as ever. You cannot create credit by writing figures in a book. You cannot make loans regardless of deposits, collateral or repayment, then write the loans up with a fountain pen as figures in a book labelled "Deposits" and lend them over and over.

If you could, then bankers in any country would need no more than a fountain pen to prevent bank failures.

During the last ten fiscal years Canada's chartered banks have paid more than \$397,000,000 in interest on deposits. If they could create deposits by the magic process of writing figures in a book, they could have saved that \$397,000,000!

And if banks could lend ten times the amount of their deposits, collecting interest each time, bank profits would become a national scandal, dividends would be paid in astronomical figures, people would be selling all they had to buy bank shares, and there would be a land office rush on at Ottawa for bank charters.

But what are the facts?

Bank profits last year averaged less than half of one per cent. on total assets — a lower margin than that of any other class of business, corporate or individual.

Dividends are less than 4½ per cent. on shareholders' investment; nobody is scrambling to sell all he owns to invest in bank shares, and there is no land office rush at Ottawa for bank charters — though no application has been refused in the last fifteen years.

Banks perform no miracles.

They keep cash reserves more than sufficient to meet the average daily withdrawals. They keep much more in forms readily convertible into cash, should any emergency ever arise.

By reason of their strong liquid position Canada's chartered banks have money awaiting demand — just awaiting safe loaning opportunity.

Banks cannot lend money unless people want to borrow it. They have no monopoly of the business of extending credit, for the cash reserves of many other corporations find a useful earning outlet in the same way.

Some loans directly give rise to deposits; but have you ever considered what it is that gives rise to a loan? A man's realized assets accumulated from his own work, plus his own character, ability and willingness to repay.

All deposits are not the direct result of loans. People do not borrow money and pay interest on it to leave it on deposit at a lower rate or no rate at all.

They borrow money for use. They draw it out promptly and use it in the expectation of making a profit over and above the bank charges.

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